

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP
ATTACHMENT B

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of a conference which took place on 12 November 1947 between the Transportation Administration of the Soviet Occupation Zone of Germany and representatives of the Belgian railroads.

Participating in the negotiations were:

From the Soviet Occupation Zone of Germany --
Major General Kvashnin, P.A., Chief of the
Transportation Administration of SGA,
chairman

From the Belgian railroads -- Colonel Schwindt,
Chief of the Belgian Railroad Mission in
Cologne

Present:

From the Soviet side:
Vasilyev
Makhov

From the Belgian side:
Delgun
Biron

The transfer of 200,000 tons of scrap metal from the Soviet
Zone of Occupation in Germany to Belgium

A. By railroad

1. Both delegations agree to send not less than 50 cars per day, beginning with 16 November 1947. This amount will be increased to 60 cars each work day beginning with 1 December 1947.

In a joint letter, the original of which is kept by General Kvashnin, the chief of the Transportation Section of the British Zone agreed that empty cars returned from the Soviet Zone to the British Zone would be used for this transport to Belgium.

2. This transport will be directed to Herbestal and addressed to the John Kokril Corporation, Herbestal, via Helmstedt.

3. Colonel Schwindt expressed the wish that the indicated transport be performed by completely made-up trains and that it should move according to schedules fixed at Helmstedt for further coordination in the British Zone, in order to shorten the return time of the cars and also so that the cars could be weighed during the loading, according to the contract.

General Kvashnin declared that he shared these wishes.

4. American cars are excluded from this transport, since their entrance into Belgium is forbidden.

5. The Seller pays the expenses on the German route up to the Belgian border. The buyer compensates the seller for these transportation expenses on the basis of the calculated distance from the provisory station Brandenburg to the Belgian border.

The buyer pays for the expenses of transportation on the Belgian route.

B. By waterways

The Belgian delegation will allow the loading of German vessels in the British Zone for the shipment of a minimum of 10,000 tons and a maximum of 15,000 tons of scrap metal a month, as soon as the level of water in the rivers permits.

Chief of the Transportation Administration of the Soviet Occupation Zone in Germany

Kvashnin

Chief of the Belgian Railroad Mission in Cologne

Schwindt

Present at the conference:

1. Vasilyev
2. Makhov

2. Biron